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GROTON
New Hampshire



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For the Fiscal Year Ending
December 31, 1977

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TOWN OFFICERS
12/31/77

Moderator
Paul Buck

Selectmen

James J. Albert — Samuel Abbott — Richard Humphrey

Town Clerk
Bonnie Lee Albert

Police
David J. Albert

Tax Collector
Bonnie Lee Albert

Constable
Richard W. Clancy

Treasurer
Helen Albert

Health Officers
Selectmen

Road Agent
Lewis J. Albert

Librarian
Katherine Buck

Library Trustees
Bonnie Lee Albert — Verna Matthews — Elizabeth Abbott

Fire Warden
C. Denis Matthews

Deputy Wardens
David J. Albert — James J. Albert — Floyd Colby Sr. — James Parris
Lewis J. Albert — Edward Smith

Supervisors of Checklist
Judith Dill — Elaine Karkheck — Yvonne Stevens

Trustee of Trust Funds
Elizabeth Abbott

SELECTMEN'S LETTER

The cooperation of the townspeople has resulted in a good year in the operation of Town affairs in Groton. Your three inexperienced Selectmen appreciate your help and are pleased that the Monday evening meetings have been orderly and peaceable. We hope that all concerned feel that they have been heard and treated fairly.

The increase in the tax rate is distressing. The eighteen cent or twenty-one plus percent rise is due largely to a loss of about \$400,000 in assessment due to Land Use. We hope that the increase can be held down next year, but it must be recognized that the Newfound District's withdrawal from the Supervisory Union will most likely result in an increase in the school tax.

The tax map, with revisions, and certain assessments has been a problem this year, resulting in more expense than anticipated. However, most of the difficulties in procedures seem to have been ironed out so that things should go more smoothly in the future, with much less cost. Still, it will be a number of years before all of the inaccuracies in the maps can be found and corrected. Meanwhile it will be helpful if all who have real evidence, such as surveys, papers, or knowledge of markers, related to errors, will bring it to the Selectmen so that we can transmit it to the Eastern Appraisals.

We hope that those who have seen the renovated Selectmen's office like it. Not only are the rooms more attractive, but they are certainly less drafty and more comfortable.

Since no bids were received for the purchase of the Clifton Hutchins house near the town garage, the building was converted for storage of the forest fire fighting and Road Agent's equipment and supplies. It is planned to complete this work out of 1978 appropriations.

The annual patching up of inadequately-built town roads has continued, but it appears to be, for the long run, an uneconomical and rather useless procedure. Therefore, the Selectmen hope that the Town will decide to undertake the rebuilding of a section of road at a time, so that annual maintenance costs can be decreased.

We wish to thank the Town officers, election officials, Road Agent, police officers, and work crews for their fine work during the year.

Again we express our thanks to all townspeople for their help and cooperation. We look forward with faith to continued progress in the operation of the Town of Groton.

Samuel L. Abbott
Richard Humphrey
James J. Albert

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the North Groton Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 14th day of March, next, at three of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects: (polls will be open 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Business Meeting (all articles except article #1) will be taken up at 6:00 p.m.)

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing.
3. To see if the Town will vote to give a two percent discount on taxes paid within fifteen days after tax collector's mailing date.
4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer, lease, rent, sell or convey or otherwise dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town by any tax collector's deed.
5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes and pay the obligations of the Town.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and authorize the Selectmen to place in the Capital Reserve Funds the following: a. \$1,000 for a new Town truck ; b. \$1,500 for a new sander.
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$283.73 in order to secure from the State the sum of \$1,891.51 for Class IV and V highways.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80.00 for the continuance of the Baker River Audio Visual Center established by Federal Grant in 1974.
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$372.00 for the Pemi-Baker Home Health Agency.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 for summer and winter maintenance of highways, and authorize the withdrawal of \$3,699.18 from the Revenue Sharing Fund with the remaining \$8,300.82 to be raised from taxes.

11. To see if the Town will vote to continue plowing driveways with the rate increased to \$50 per driveway, exempting from the fee residents on Social Security or receiving elderly exemptions.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$7,500 for the sealing and repair of Town roads.

13. To see what action the Town will take on the dump, and vote to raise and appropriate for same.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$94.50 for a membership in the Bristol Community Center in order that Groton residents may participate in activities at the Center.

15. To see what action the Town will take on the Planning Board's proposal (laid on the table for one year by the 1977 Annual Town Meeting): postponed from 1977 Meeting.

To see what action the Town will take on Planning Board proposals as follows:

- a. Minimum house lots:
 - 1. size-2 acres
 - 2. 100 ft. min. road frontage
 - 3. no subdivision
 - 4. no buildings 50 ft. from all boundaries, incl. roads
- b. Building permits required
 - 1. alterations of existing buildings
 - 2. apertinent structures
 - 3. new buildings
 - 4. 1.00 charge
 - 5. issued by Planning Board
 - 6. \$500 fine for failure to comply
- c. Roads:

STREETS

Definitions

A. **Street** - Includes street, avenue, boulevard, road, alley, highway, and other way, exclusive of driveways serving not more than two adjacent lots.

B. **Right-of-Way** - The total width of street that will accommodate the construction, adequate drainage, and proper maintenance of a roadway.

Street Requirements

1. Approval of general development Street Plan should be required before allowing construction of small integral phases of the plan.
2. Streets shall be logically related to the topography so as to produce suitable lots and reasonable grades.
3. All streets named without duplication nor bear phonetic resemblance to the names of existing streets within the town.
4. Grades - maximum grade of 10%.
5. Subgrade Preparation-all loam and other yielding material shall be removed from the roadway and replaced with suitable fill material. All boulders and ledge shall be removed to a uniform cross sectional depth of not less than 12 inches below the subgrade and replaced with gravel.
6. Right-of-Way - Shall not be less than 50 ft. in width and may be required to be more if warranted in the opinion of Planning Board.
7. Drainage - Surface water shall be disposed of by means of culverts of sufficient capacity at water courses as determined by standard hydraulic design methods and by construction of the longitudinal - storm drainage system whenever required to relieve water in the ditch sections. Construction in accordance with N.H. Standard Spec. 1969 Sects. 603 and 604.
8. Gravel Base - All streets shall be constructed with a minimum of 12 inches of gravel per N.H. Standard Spec. 1969 Sect. 304.
9. Asphalt Surface - The asphalt surface may be Bituminous Surface Treatment, Spec. Sec. 410, or Hot Bituminous Pavement, Sect. 403, as required by Planning Board. The minimum width shall be 20 feet.
10. Gravel Surface - In unusual cases of low traffic volumes where the Planning Board feels an asphalt surface is not required the total usable roadway width shall be a minimum of 28 ft. so that the ultimate design may be a 20 ft. asphalt surface with 4 ft. gravel shoulders.

11. Gravel Shoulders - A 4 ft. gravel shoulder, equal to the base course depth shall be constructed adjacent to 20 ft. asphalt surfaces.

12. Dead End Street - Shall not be more than 1000 ft. in length with a designed turning area at the closed end. This turning area may be of circular shape with a minimum radius of 50 ft. from the center to the outside edge of the right-of-way.

13. Bridges - On stream crossings of 10 ft. or more span, the structure shall be designed to H 15 - S 20 loading (AASHTO Spec.). The minimum roadway width shall be 24 ft.

14. Construction Supervision - Construction of the street, drainage facilities, sidewalks, curbs, and all other elements of the street must be done under supervision of and with the approval of the Planning Board or their designate.

16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Groton Civic Center Building, formerly known as the Groton School House.

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 to purchase and improve the two Marcus' lots adjacent to the present beach at Spectacle Pond in order to provide more parking and pond access space.

18. To see if the Town will vote to eliminate the office of Secretary to the Selectmen (submitted by petition).

19. To Transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 6th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy eight.

Samuel L. Abbott
Richard Humphrey
James J. Albert
Selectmen of Groton

A True Copy of Warrant-Attest

Samuel L. Abbott
Richard Humphrey
James J. Albert
Selectmen of Groton

SUMMARY OF VALUATION

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Land | \$4,894,735 |
| Buildings | 2,008,481 |
| Electric Lines | 412,679 |
| | ----- |
| Total Before Exemptions | \$7,315,895 |
| Elderly Exemptions (5) | 25,000 |
| | ----- |
| Net Valuation on Which Tax is Computed | \$7,290,895 |
| Number of Inventories Mailed | 323 |
| Date Mailed | 3-24-77 |
| Number Returned | 298 |
| Number of Property Owners Applying for Current Use | 7 |
| Number of Property Owners Granted Current Use | 7 |
| Number of Acres Under Current Use: | 2,148.5 |
| Computation of Rate: \$7,290,895 x \$1.03 = \$75,096.22 | |
| Gross Property Taxes Assessed | \$75,096.22 |
| Less Estimated War Serv. Credits | 1,100.00 |
| | ----- |
| Net Property Commitment* | \$73,996.22 |

*subject to any adjustment by reason of increase or decrease in war service tax credits.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| ----- | |
| Town Hall, Land & Bldgs. | \$ 5,000 |
| Furniture & Equipment | 2,000 |
| Libraries, Land & Bldg. | 1,500 |
| Furniture & Equipment | 1,000 |
| Police | 1,750 |
| Fire | 500 |
| Highway Dept., Land & Bldgs. | 500 |
| Truck | 9,000 |
| other equipment | 500 |
| School, Land & Bldgs. | 1,000 |
| Selectmen's Office | 3,000 |
| Equipment | 1,000 |
| Town Dump | 1,500 |
| | ----- |
| Total | \$28,250 |

BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF GROTON
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenues for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

| PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION | Appropriations Fiscal Year | Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year | Ensuing Fiscal Year 1978 [1978-79] |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 5,238.59 | \$ 5,500.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 2,500.00 | 2,315.21 | 2,500.00 |
| Election | 650.00 | 343.42 | 400.00 |
| Town Hall & other bldgs. | 1,500.00 | 2,235.89 | 2,500.00 |
| Police | 2,500.00 | 2,478.11 | 2,500.00 |
| Fire | 1,000.00 | 1,252.85 | 1,200.00 |
| Insurance | 2,500.00 | 2,614.00 | 2,600.00 |
| Planning | 500.00 | 15.60 | 50.00 |
| Legal | 500.00 | 421.71 | 500.00 |
| Health | 600.00 | 635.00 | 700.00 |
| Dump | 2,000.00 | 1,342.29 | 2,000.00 |
| Summer and Winter Maintenance* | 12,000.00 | 10,166.41 | 12,000.00 |
| Street Lights | 275.00 | 221.11 | 250.00 |
| General Highway Expense | 2,500.00 | 1,926.79 | 2,500.00 |
| TRA | 285.55 | 3,473.57 | 283.73 |
| Libraries | 600.00 | 600.00 | 700.00 |
| Town Poor | 200.00 | 130.00 | 200.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 1,000.00 | 325.75 | 500.00 |
| Patriotic | 0 | 16.24 | 50.00 |
| Recreation | 200.00 | 0 | 200.00 |
| Cemeteries | 500.00 | 210.89 | 0 |
| Regional Association | 0 | 220.00 | 250.00 |
| Bounties | 5.00 | 1.00 | 0 |
| Interest on Temp. Loans | 500.00 | 1,083.33 | 1,200.00 |
| Assessing & Mapping | 2,957.39 | 7,841.21 | 1,500.00 |
| Sealing | 7,500.00 | 7,412.72 | 7,500.00 |
| School | 39,000.00 | 29,340.15 | 32,000.00 |
| County | 9,500.00 | 5,598.52 | 10,598.52 |
| New Equipment | 500.00 | 0 | 0 |
| Beach | 0 | 0 | 9,000.00 |
| Community Center | 0 | 0 | 94.50 |
| Baker River Audio Visual | 80.00 | 80.00 | 80.00 |
| Capital Reserve | | | |
| Truck | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Sander | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| *less revenue sharing | -2,716.99 | -2,716.99 | -3,699.18 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$96,555.95 | \$87,323.37 | \$98,157.57 |

| | Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year | Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year | Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year 1978 [1978-79] |
|--|--|---|---|
| SOURCES OF REVENUE | | | |
| State: | | | |
| Gas Tax | \$ 0 | \$ 77.16 | \$80.00 |
| Police Radio | 0 | 899.00 | 0 |
| Interest & Dividends | 300.00 | 538.59 | 500.00 |
| TRA | 1,903.68 | 2,244.52 | 1,891.51 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 0 | 131.76 | 135.00 |
| Meals & Rooms Tax | 1,000.00 | 1,098.86 | 1,100.00 |
| Yield Overpyt. | 0 | 15.80 | 0 |
| Reimb. OAA | 0 | 538.23 | 0 |
| Reimb. Forest Land | 250.00 | 219.60 | 220.00 |
| Reimb. Business Profits | 200.00 | 112.86 | 115.00 |
| Highway Subsidy | 3,424.34 | 3,424.34 | 3,397.24 |
| Reimb. Recreation Lands | 20.00 | 0 | 15.45 |
| Local: | | | |
| Dog Licenses | 100.00 | 145.80 | 150.00 |
| Filing Fees | 25.00 | 12.00 | 15.00 |
| Motor Vehicle Permits | 2,500.00 | 3,989.50 | 4,000.00 |
| Interest on Deposits, Taxes | 300.00 | 327.31 | 325.00 |
| Income from Trusts | 0 | 628.10 | 0 |
| Resident Taxes | 1,200.00 | 1,250.00 | 1,250.00 |
| Yield Taxes | 1,500.00 | 2,374.60 | 2,500.00 |
| Rent of Town Property | 1,200.00 | 1,566.00 | 1,565.00 |
| Sale of Town Property | 0 | 5.00 | 0 |
| Selectmen's Permits | 0 | 279.00 | 200.00 |
| Gifts | 100.00 | 115.00 | 100.00 |
| Redeposit Taxpayer's Returned Checks | 25.00 | 0 | 0 |
| Revenue Sharing | 3,000.00 | 2,716.99 | 3,699.18 |
| Total Revenue from all Sources (except Taxes) | \$17,048.02 | \$22,710.02 | \$21,258.38 |
| Estimated Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes | ----- | ----- | \$76,899.19 |
| Total Revenues | ----- | ----- | \$98,157.57 |

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED FOR TAX YEAR 1977

Appropriations:

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 2,500.00 |
| Election and Registration | 650.00 |
| Town Hall and other Bldgs. | 1,500.00 |
| Police Department | 2,500.00 |
| Fire Department | 1,000.00 |
| Insurance | 2,500.00 |
| Planning and Zoning | 500.00 |
| Damages and Legal | 500.00 |
| Health | 600.00 |
| Baker River Audio Visual | 80.00 |
| Town Dump | 2,000.00 |
| Summer and Winter Roads | 12,000.00 |
| Street Lights | 275.00 |
| General Highway Expenses | 2,500.00 |
| Town Road Aid | 285.55 |
| Libraries | 600.00 |
| Town Poor | 200.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 1,000.00 |
| Recreation | 200.00 |
| Cemeteries | 500.00 |
| New Highway Equipment | 500.00 |
| Sealing | 7,500.00 |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 500.00 |
| Capital Reserve: Town Truck | 1,000.00 |
| Sander | 1,500.00 |

Less Estimated Revenues & Credits:

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Interest and Dividends Tax | 538.59 |
| Interest Rec'd on Deposits | 300.00 |
| Crime Comm. | 47.00 |
| Res. Tax Penalties | 12.00 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 131.76 |
| Meals and Rooms Tax | 1,098.80 |
| Duncan Fund | 943.50 |
| Reimb. State and Federal Lands | 212.60 |
| Interest Rec'd on Taxes | 162.00 |
| Yield Tax Revenue | 2,340.19 |
| Business Licenses, | |
| Permits, Filing Fees | 28.00 |

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Dog Licenses | 156.00 | |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 2,500.00 | |
| Rent of Town Property | 1,200.00 | |
| Highway, TRA | 2,244.52 | |
| Gifts | 115.00 | |
| Reimb. O.A.A. | 226.41 | |
| Resident Taxes | 1,330.00 | |
| Highway Subsidy | 3,424.34 | |
| Gas Tax Refund | 77.16 | |
| Reimb. Radio - LEAA | 852.00 | |
| Total Town Appropriations | | \$47,890.55 |
| Total Revenues and Credits | | 17,939.87 |
| Net Town Appropriation | | 29,950.68 |
| Net School Appropriation | | 31,550.08 |
| County Tax Assessment | | 10,598.52 |
| Total of Town, School and County | | 72,099.28 |
| Deduct: Total Bus. Profits Tax Reimb. | | 216.00 |
| Add: War Service Tax Credits | | 1,100.00 |
| Add: Overlay | | 2,112.94 |
| Property Tax To Be Raised | | \$75,096.22 |

BALANCE SHEET
Town of Groton
December 31, 1977

ASSETS

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Cash in Bank | \$ 2,176.37 |
| Uncollected Taxes: | |
| Property | 12,074.37 |
| Resident | 190.00 |
| Yield | 433.63 |
| Unredeemed Taxes: | 314.48 |
| Unexpended Revenue Sharing | 3,699.18 |
| Prepaid Insurance: | 1,046.30 |
| | ----- |
| TOTAL ASSETS: | \$19,934.33 |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| School District Tax Payable | \$15,617.22 |
| County Tax Payable | 5,000.00 |
| Prepayments on Property Taxes | 31.01 |
| | ----- |
| Total Liabilities: | 20,648.23 |
| Current Deficit: | (713.90) |
| | ----- |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & DEFICIT | \$19,934.33 |

STATEMENT OF DEFICIT
Town of Groton
Year Ended 12-31-77

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Balance of Deficit 1-1-77 | \$2,957.39 |
| Excess of Liabilities Over Assets | 713.90 |
| | ----- |
| Deficit 12-31-77 | \$3,671.29 |

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
Town of Groton
Year Ended 12-31-77

Revenues:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 1977 Property Tax | \$60,849.39 |
| State of New Hampshire | 10,259.67 |
| 1976 Property Tax | 8,498.53 |
| Motor Vehicle Permits | 3,989.50 |
| Revenue Sharing | 2,716.99 |
| Capital Reserve | 2,501.84 |
| 1977 Yield Taxes | 2,374.60 |
| Plowing | 1,566.00 |
| 1977 Resident Taxes | 1,250.00 |
| Tax Sales Redeemed | 658.45 |
| Trust Fund Income | 628.10 |
| Interest | 327.31 |
| Redeposits Returned Checks | 306.00 |
| Bonds on Deposit | 250.00 |
| Dog Licenses | 145.80 |
| 1976 Resident Taxes | 130.00 |
| Gifts | 115.00 |
| Insurance Refund | 99.00 |
| Bldg. and Pistol Permits | 29.00 |
| 1978 Prepayments on Prop. Tax | 31.01 |
| 1975 Property Tax | 28.40 |
| 1976 Resident Tax | 12.00 |
| Filing Fees, Bad Check Charge | 12.00 |
| 1977 Resident Penalties | 6.00 |
| 1975 Interest | 3.26 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$96,787.85 |

Expenditures:

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| School | \$29,340.15 |
| Revaluation | 7,841.21 |
| Sealing | 7,412.72 |
| County | 5,598.52 |
| Winter Maintenance | 5,428.16 |
| Officers' Salaries | 5,238.59 |
| Summer Maintenance | 4,738.25 |
| TRA | 3,473.57 |
| Highway Subsidy | 3,432.04 |

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Insurance | 2,614.00 |
| Capital Reserve | 2,500.00 |
| Police | 2,478.11 |
| Officers' Expenses | 2,315.21 |
| Town Hall and other Bldgs. | 2,235.89 |
| General Highway Expenses | 1,926.79 |
| Dump | 1,342.29 |
| Fire | 1,252.85 |
| Interest | 1,083.33 |
| Health | 635.00 |
| Library | 600.00 |
| Legal | 421.71 |
| Elections | 343.42 |
| Tax Sale | 328.61 |
| OAA | 325.75 |
| Street Lights | 221.11 |
| Advertising and Regional Assoc. | 220.00 |
| Cemeteries | 210.89 |
| Refunds | 164.71 |
| Town Poor | 130.00 |
| State of New Hampshire | 360.24 |
| Patriotic | 16.24 |
| Planning | 15.60 |
| Bounty | 1.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$94,245.96 |

PETTY CASH SUMMARY

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Cash on Hand 1-1-77 | \$ 6.74 |
| Received from Selectmen | |
| 3-21-77 | 30.00 |
| 7-25-77 | 30.00 |
| | <u> </u> |
| | 66.74 |
| Expenditures: | |
| Stamps for dog notices, tax bills (residents, property and yield), office supplies, notices of interest due, money orders, certified mail for tax sale accounts. | |
| | -65.97 |
| Cash on Hand 12-31-77 | \$.77 |

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 77 Motor Vehicle Permits | \$3,989.50 |
| Dog Tags, \$157.50 | |
| Less Clerk's Fees, \$11.70 | 145.80 |
| Filing Fees | 7.00 |
| Plowing Drives | 1,566.00 |
| Penalty, Taxpayer's Bad Check Charge | 5.00 |
| | <u> </u> |
| | \$5,713.50 |

Respectfully submitted,
Bonnie Lee Albert
Clerk

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I did not perform a certified audit for the Town of Groton as regards the financial statements at December 31, 1977. However, I did perform a town audit following all procedures as prescribed by the Division of Municipal Accounting of the State of New Hampshire and found no material misstatements.

Bedor and Associates
Plymouth, N.H.

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT & YIELD TAXES**

DR.

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Taxes Committed to Collector: | 78 | 77 | 76 | 75 | 74 |
| Property | | 73,981.66 | 8,288.59 | 28.40 | 25.89 |
| Resident | | 1,310.00 | 230.00 | | |
| Yield | | 2,808.23 | | | |
| Prepayments on Prop. | 31.01 | | | | |
| Added Taxes: | | | | | |
| Property | | 102.47 | | | |
| Resident | | 170.00 | | | |
| Overpayment | | | 222.70 | | |
| Interest Collected | | | 327.31 | 3.26 | |
| Penalties Collected | | 6.00 | 12.00 | | |
| | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| | \$31.01 | \$78,378.36 | \$9,080.60 | \$31.66 | \$25.89 |

CR.

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|-------------|------------|---------|---------|
| Remittances to Treasurer: | | | | | |
| Property | | 60,846.09 | 8,184.05 | 28.40 | |
| Prepayments on Prop. | 31.01 | | | | |
| Resident | | 1,250.00 | 130.00 | | |
| Yield | | 2,374.60 | | | |
| Tax Sale | | | 314.48 | | |
| Discounts Allowed | | 1,045.15 | | | |
| Interest Collected | | | 327.31 | 3.26 | |
| Penalties Collected | | 6.00 | 12.00 | | |
| Abatements | | | | | |
| Property | 118.52 | 10.20 | | 25.89 | |
| Residents | | 40.00 | 100.00 | | |
| Uncollected: | | | | | |
| Property | | 12,074.37 | 2.56 | | |
| Resident | | 190.00 | | | |
| Yield | | 433.63 | | | |
| | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| | \$31.01 | \$78,378.36 | \$9,080.60 | \$31.66 | \$25.89 |

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS
Year Ended 12-31-77

DR.

| | 1976 | 1975 | 1974 |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Balance Unredeemed 1-1-77 | | 216.03 | 462.34 |
| Taxes Sold to Town | 314.48 | | |
| Interest Collected after Sale | 3.00 | 30.13 | 41.32 |
| | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| | \$317.48 | \$246.16 | \$503.66 |

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|-----------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Remittances to Treasurer: | | | |
| Redemptions | | 216.03 | 367.97 |
| Interest & Costs After Sale | 3.00 | 30.13 | 41.32 |
| Abatements | | | 94.37 |
| Unredeemed Taxes 12-31-77 | 314.48 | | |
| | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| | \$317.48 | \$246.16 | \$503.66 |

Respectfully submitted,
 Bonnie Lee Albert
 Collector

REPORT OF TREASURER

RECEIPTS

Bonnie Lee Albert, Collector

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| 1975 Property tax | \$28.40 |
| 1975 Interest | 3.26 |
| 1976 Property tax | 8,184.05 |
| 1976 Interest | 327.31 |
| 1976 Resident tax | 130.00 |
| 1976 Resident tax penalties | 12.00 |
| 1977 Yield tax | 2,374.60 |
| 1977 Resident tax | 1,250.00 |
| 1977 Resident tax penalties | 6.00 |
| Taxes Redeemed | 658.45 |
| 1976 Tax Sale (Bought by Town) | 314.48 |
| 1977 Property tax | 60,849.39 |
| 1978 Property tax credit | 31.01 |

U.S. Treasury

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| Anti-recession fund | 227.00 |
|---------------------|--------|

State of N.H.

| | |
|--|----------|
| Federal & State Grant (Police Radio) | 999.00 |
| Highway Subsidy | 3,424.34 |
| Reimb. a/c State & Federal Forest Land | 219.60 |
| Gasoline Tax Refund | 77.16 |
| Duncan Fund | 943.50 |
| Business Profits tax | 112.86 |
| Interest & Dividends tax | 538.59 |
| Bank tax | 131.76 |
| Highway (T.R.A.) | 2,244.52 |
| Meals and Rooms tax | 1,098.86 |
| Reimb. a/c State owned Rec. land | 15.45 |
| Reimb. a/c overpayment yield tax | 15.80 |
| Reimb. O.A.A. | 538.23 |

Pemigewasset National Bank

| | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Temporary loans | 50,000.00 |
|-----------------|-----------|

Town Clerk

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| 1977 Motor Vehicle Permits | 3,989.50 |
| Dog tax | 145.80 |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Plowing Driveways | 1,566.00 |
| Filing Fees | 7.00 |
| Penalty charge (Bad check) | 5.00 |
| Helen Albert, Trustee | |
| Capitol Reserve Fund (tax maps) | 2,501.84 |
| Longyear Foundation | |
| Contribution to Town | 100.00 |
| Gift to Police Dept. | 15.00 |
| Selectmen | |
| Building Permits | 15.00 |
| Pistol Permits | 14.00 |
| Timber tax bonds | 250.00 |
| Helen Albert, Treasurer | |
| Revenue Sharing Fund | 2,716.99 |
| Bristol Real Estate & Ins. | |
| Insurance Adj. | 99.00 |
| Trustee of Trust Fund | |
| All accrued interest | 628.10 |
| Individual Taxpayers | |
| Redeposit of returned checks | 303.84 |
| Redeposit of uncashed checks | 2.16 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$147,014.85</u> |
| CASH ON HAND JAN. 1, 1977 | 154.26 |
| GRAND TOTAL | <u>\$147,169.11</u> |

PAYMENTS

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Selectmen's orders paid | \$144,992.74 |
| BALANCE | <u>\$ 2,176.37</u> |

Respectfully submitted,
Helen L. Albert
Treasurer

REVENUE SHARING FUND

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Balance beginning of year 1/1/77 | \$2,716.99 |
| Deposits | 3,472.00 |
| Interest | 227.18 |
| | ----- |
| TOTAL | \$6,416.17 |
| Withdrawal 11/1/77 | 2,716.99 |
| | ----- |
| BALANCE | \$3,699.18 |

AUDITORS REPORT REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT

I have examined the accounts and records of the Revenue Sharing Fund of the Town of Groton, N.H. for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1977.

In my opinion the above statement of Revenue, Appropriations, Encumbrances, and Available Unobligated Funds presents fairly the revenue, expenditures, and encumbrances incurred, and status of Revenue Sharing Funds of the Town of Groton, N.H. for the year ended December 31, 1977.

Bedor & Associates
Auditor, Town of Groton, N.H.
Date: Jan. 31, 1978

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Current Revenue

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Taxes | \$74,168.95 |
| From State | 10,259.67 |
| From Federal | 227.00 |
| From Local Sources, Town Clerk | 5,713.30 |
| Proceeds temp. loans | 50,000.00 |
| Capital Reserve | 2,501.84 |
| Selectmen, permits | 279.00 |
| Revenue Sharing | 2,716.99 |
| Insurance refund | 99.00 |
| Trustee of Trusts | 628.10 |
| Taxpayers, bad checks | 306.00 |
| Gifts | 115.00 |
| | ----- |
| Sub Total | \$147,014.85 |
| Cash on hand 1-1-77 | 154.26 |
| | ----- |
| Total | \$147,169.11 |

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Current

| | |
|--|------------|
| General Government, Officers' Salaries | \$5,238.59 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 2,315.21 |
| Election | 343.42 |
| Town Hall & other bldgs. | 2,235.89 |
| Police | 2,478.11 |
| Fire | 1,252.85 |
| Planning | 15.60 |
| Insurance | 2,614.00 |
| Bounty | 1.00 |
| Health | 635.00 |
| Dump | 1,342.29 |
| TRA | 3,473.57 |
| Summer maintenance | 4,738.25 |
| Winter maintenance | 5,428.16 |
| Sealing | 7,412.72 |

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|--|--------------|
| Highway Subsidy | 3,432.04 |
| General highway expense | 1,926.79 |
| Street lights | 221.11 |
| Library | 600.00 |
| Patriotic | 16.24 |
| Old Age Assistance | 325.75 |
| Town Poor | 130.00 |
| Cemeteries | 210.89 |
| Unclassified: Advertising, regional assoc. | 220.00 |
| taxes bought by town | 328.61 |
| refunds | 164.71 |
| legal | 421.71 |
| employee tax withheld | (191.60) |
| interest on temporary loans | 1,083.33 |
| Principal, temporary loans | 50,000.00 |
| Capital Reserve | 2,500.00 |
| Revaluation | 7,841.21 |
| County Tax | 5,598.52 |
| School District payment | 29,340.15 |
| Revenue Sharing, antirecession | 227.00 |
| State 2% yield tax | 360.24 |
| Redeposit taxpayers bad checks | 519.78 |
| | <hr/> |
| Sub Total | \$144,992.74 |

DETAIL OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Samuel Abbott, Chmn, Selectman | \$ 900.00 |
| Richard Humphrey, Selectman | 800.00 |
| James J. Albert, Selectman | 800.00 |
| Bonnie Lee Albert, Collector & Clerk | 1,347.89 |
| Helen L. Albert, Treasurer | 500.00 |
| Mildred Schweitzer, Collector & Clerk | 56.95 |
| Elizabeth Abbott, Trustee of Trust Funds | 20.00 |
| Richard W. Clancy, Secretary | 600.00 |
| Helen Albert, Secretary | 90.00 |
| Bonnie Lee Albert, Secretary | 123.75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 5,238.59 |

Town Officers' Expenses

| | |
|---|-------------|
| New England Telephone, phone | \$ 114.31 |
| Norma Anderson, secretarial | 27.87 |
| Bonnie Lee Albert, expenses | 69.52 |
| Helen L. Albert, expenses | 68.45 |
| Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies | 41.04 |
| Postmaster, Hebron, N.H., stamps | 161.00 |
| Mtn. Media, printing | 979.30 |
| Sears, Roebuck, supplies | 103.65 |
| Harold Brundrett, safe repair | 101.50 |
| Bonnie Lee Albert, petty cash | 60.00 |
| Wheeler & Clark, supplies | 16.02 |
| Shirley Willey, cleaning | 2.75 |
| Louise Martell, cleaning | 6.88 |
| Richard W. Clancy, expenses | 78.39 |
| Enterprise Press, printing | 29.20 |
| Branham Publishing, auto reference bks. | 14.75 |
| Homestead Press, printing | 66.01 |
| Barbara Fortier, register | .20 |
| Paul Buck, auditing | 187.50 |
| N.H. Municipal Assoc., lectures | 25.00 |
| Samuel Abbott, expenses | 63.00 |
| Dept. of Revenue Admin. boat report | .75 |
| Richard Humphrey, expenses | 12.00 |
| Town of Plymouth, copying | 4.40 |
| IBM, typewriter service | 81.72 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 2,315.21 |

Election & Registration Expense

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Elaine Karkheck, supervisor | \$ 31.25 |
| Judith Dill, supervisor | 25.50 |
| Yvonne Stevens, supervisor | 31.00 |
| Zelma Watts, ballot clerk | 16.50 |
| Beatrice Smith, ballot clerk | 16.50 |
| Bonnie Albert, ballot clerk | 16.50 |
| Barbara Hobart, ballot clerk | 16.50 |
| Paul Buck, moderator | 24.00 |

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Ralph Dill, officer | 27.62 |
| Norma Anderson, clerk, pro tem | 22.00 |
| Ed Smith, plowing town house | 45.00 |
| Enterprise Press, printing | 20.80 |
| Mtn. Media, ballots | 50.25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 343.42 |

Town Hall & Other Bldgs.

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| N.H. Electric Coop., power | \$ 160.33 |
| Andy's Oil, oil | 289.17 |
| Chas. A. Carr Co., gas | 106.24 |
| Louise Martell, cleaning, tn. hse. | 9.63 |
| Norris Smith, mowing tn. hse. | 15.00 |
| Ed Smith, equipment rent | 36.00 |
| Raymond Keniston, lumber | 115.00 |
| George Merrill, labor | 420.00 |
| John Matthews, labor | 1,072.57 |
| Prescott Lumber Co., materials | 11.95 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 2,235.89 |

Police

| | |
|--|-------------|
| David J. Albert, time & expense | \$ 355.09 |
| Alexander Lennox, time & expense | 540.40 |
| Ralph Dill, time & expense | 369.34 |
| Richard W. Clancy, time & expense | 45.35 |
| Wright Communications, radio installation & repair | 110.70 |
| N.H. Ordinance, pistol | 191.87 |
| Trumbull Hardware, supplies | 8.98 |
| Enterprise Press, notices | 11.20 |
| Mtn. Media, tickets | 18.75 |
| Home Safety Equipment, equipment | 90.80 |
| Mack's Men's Shop, uniform | 49.85 |
| W.S. Darley, equipment | 62.23 |
| Kidder's Radio, supplies | 6.95 |
| Ben's Uniform, supplies, equipment | 142.46 |
| Village Press, printed forms | 13.47 |
| Brooks Auto, light bar | 368.29 |
| Saso, equipment | 65.38 |
| SPCA, dog laws | 2.00 |
| Grafton Cty. Sheriff's Aux. services | 25.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 2,478.11 |

Fire

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Town of Hebron, reimb. Lawson fire | \$ 39.50 |
| Hebron Fire Dept., appropriation | 500.00 |
| Rumney Fire Dept., appropriation | 500.00 |
| C. McCloud, equipment | 51.60 |
| Town of Hebron, A. Brown fires | 107.75 |
| Town of Hebron, red phone | 54.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 1,252.85 |

Planning

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Bristol Enterprise, printing notice | \$ 15.60 |
|-------------------------------------|----------|

Health

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Pemi-Baker Home Health, appropriation | \$ 330.00 |
| Baker River Audio Visual, appropriation | 80.00 |
| Newfound Ambulance, appropriation | 225.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 635.00 |

Bounties

| | |
|---------------|---------|
| Michael Clark | \$ 1.00 |
|---------------|---------|

Insurance

| | |
|--|-------------|
| John C. Ray Agency, Insurance | \$ 835.00 |
| Bristol Real Estate & Insurance, insurance | 1,779.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 2,614.00 |

Highway Subsidy

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Campton Sand & Gravel, cold patch | \$ 356.56 |
| Peter Samuelson, blasting | 200.00 |
| International Salt Co., salt | 1,583.48 |
| Ed Smith, truck, dozer, grader hire | 552.50 |
| Lewis Albert, truck, dozer, grader hire | 627.00 |
| James J. Albert, truck, dozer, grader hire | 24.00 |
| Raymond Davis, sand | 88.50 |
| | <hr/> |
| (amt. to acct for: \$ 3,424.35) | \$ 3,432.04 |

Town Dump

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Everett Hobart, caretaker | \$ 830.50 |
| Lewis Albert, labor | 78.75 |
| Mtn. Media, stickers | 20.00 |
| Merrimack Farmers, supplies | 27.46 |

| | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Nicholas Adams, labor | 30.88 |
| John Matthews, labor | 101.99 |
| Enterprise Press, notice | 16.80 |
| Pamela Trombley, signs | 70.76 |
| Ed Smith, equipment | 136.65 |
| Raymond Davis, equipment | 7.00 |
| Nicholas Adams, equipment | 2.00 |
| Ken Martell, labor | 19.50 |

\$ 1,342.29

TRA

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| State of N.H., Duncan Fund | \$ 943.50 |
| State of N.H., appropriation | 285.55 |
| Lewis Albert, labor | 220.00 |
| Nicholas Adams, labor | 53.10 |
| Richard W. Clancy, labor | 53.10 |
| Freeman Patten, labor | 99.12 |
| Robert J. Higgins, equipment | 369.60 |
| James Speed, labor & equipment | 108.00 |
| Ed Smith, equipment | 1,341.60 |

\$ 3,473.57

Sealing

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Lewis Albert, labor | \$ 455.00 |
| Nicholas Adams, labor | 412.75 |
| Paul Norman, labor | 19.50 |
| Tony Albert, labor | 9.75 |
| Charles Matthews, labor | 9.75 |
| Ed Smith, equipment | 2,765.10 |
| Town of Hebron, equipment | 77.20 |
| Lewis Albert, equipment | 30.00 |
| James J. Albert, equipment | 40.00 |
| Irving MacDonald, equipment | 297.00 |
| Nellie Ashley, gravel | 602.00 |
| Larry Ryea, equipment | 159.00 |
| Armco Steel, culverts | 2,535.67 |

\$ 7,412.72

Street Lights

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| N.H. Electric Coop, power | \$ 221.11 |
|---------------------------|-----------|

Revenue Sharing

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Treas., Town of Groton, antirecession funds | \$ 227.00 |
|---|-----------|

Winter Maintenance

| | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Lewis Albert, labor | \$ 1,175.25 |
| Nicholas Adams, labor | 894.41 |
| Ernest Matthews, labor | 19.25 |
| Michael Hobart, labor | 273.13 |
| Paul Norman, labor | 176.64 |
| Ken Martell, labor | 89.13 |
| Gordon Matthews, labor | 6.50 |
| Lee Adams, labor | 19.50 |
| Lewis Albert, equipment | 1,389.00 |
| Freeman Patten, equipment | 65.00 |
| James J. Albert, equipment | 40.00 |
| Ed Smith, equipment | 795.00 |
| Irving MacDonald, equipment | 13.00 |
| Raymond Davis, equipment | 217.50 |
| Alice Mae Adams, trip for parts | 15.00 |
| John Jurta Jr., truck | 172.00 |
| Merrimack Farmers, stockpile cover | 67.85 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 5,428.16 |

Summer Maintenance

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Lewis Albert, labor | \$ 827.75 |
| Nicholas Adams, labor | 450.13 |
| Ernest Matthews, Jr. labor | 6.50 |
| Gordon Coursey, labor | 6.50 |
| Chas. Matthews, labor | 3.25 |
| Roland Matthews, labor | 3.25 |
| Paul Norman, labor | 149.50 |
| Freeman Patten, labor | 16.25 |
| David Norman, labor | 20.13 |
| Tony Albert, labor | 8.75 |
| Michael Hobart, labor | 58.50 |
| Edward Smith, equipment & gravel | 1,471.10 |
| Irving MacDonald, equipment | 455.00 |
| James Albert, equipment | 31.00 |
| Lewis Albert, equipment | 127.50 |
| Freeman Patten, repairs | 275.00 |
| Town of Hebron, equipment | 60.00 |
| Robert Higgins, equipment | 270.67 |
| James Speed, equipment | 36.00 |
| Caledonia Sand & Gravel, gravel | 310.00 |
| Pam Trombley, signs | 15.00 |
| Campton Sand & Gravel, cold patch | 136.47 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 4,738.25 |

General Highway Expenses

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Yeaton Oil, gas | \$ 786.22 |
| Webster Motors, repairs | 32.89 |
| Sanel Auto, parts | 21.00 |
| H&K Shell, parts & repair | 96.74 |
| Spear's Garage, repairs | 230.64 |
| Sanborns, repairs | 98.07 |
| Robbins Auto Parts, parts | 52.85 |
| Trumbull's Hardware, supplies | 58.09 |
| Chas. Gould, repairs | 48.14 |
| Shortt's Garage, supplies | 20.00 |
| Brooks Auto, parts, cb's | 349.82 |
| R.C. Hazelton, parts | 41.15 |
| Central N.H. Tractor, parts | 10.10 |
| Paul Adams, wing pulley | 10.00 |
| Lubrication Engineers, oil | 71.08 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 1,926.79 |

Library

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Groton Library, appropriation | \$ 600.00 |
|-------------------------------|-----------|

Old Age Assistance

| | |
|---------------|-----------|
| State of N.H. | \$ 325.75 |
|---------------|-----------|

Town Poor

| | |
|--|--------|
| 2 months rent for Groton resident (name withheld) | 130.00 |
|--|--------|

Revaluation & Mapping

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Eastern Appraisal Co., services | \$ 7,841.21 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|

Legal

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Murphy & McLaughlin, Newberry petition | \$ 421.71 |
|--|-----------|

Payments to State of N.H.

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Treas. 2% bond & debt retirement (yield taxes) | \$ 360.24 |
|---|-----------|

Temporary Loans

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Pemigewasset National Bank, principal | \$ 50,000.00 |
| interest | 1,083.33 |

| | | |
|--|----|-----------|
| County Tax | | |
| Grafton County, partial 1977 | \$ | 5,598.52 |
| Patriotic | | |
| H.A. Holt, flag | \$ | 16.24 |
| Cemeteries | | |
| Prescott Lumber Co., material | \$ | 22.06 |
| Ken Martell, labor | | 142.50 |
| Trumbull Hardware, supplies | | 10.58 |
| David Norman, labor | | 26.00 |
| Paul Norman, labor | | 9.75 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | \$ | 210.89 |
| Withholding | | |
| Internal Revenue Service, 1977 with. | \$ | 185.90 |
| Internal Revenue Service, 1976 adj. | | 5.70 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | \$ | 191.60 |
| Adv. & Regional Assoc. | | |
| N.H. Town Clerks Assoc., dues | \$ | 10.00 |
| N.H. Municipal Assoc., dues | | 200.00 |
| N.H. Tax Collector Assoc., dues | | 10.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | \$ | 220.00 |
| Discounts, Abatements & Refunds | | |
| Walter Stevens, refund | \$ | 24.09 |
| Helena Jewell, refund | | 50.09 |
| Helen Minnich, refund | | 47.00 |
| Lorena Brown, refund | | 1.81 |
| Richard Fischer, refund | | 41.72 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | \$ | 164.71 |
| Tax Sale | | |
| Town of Groton | \$ | 314.48 |
| Reg. of Deeds - Recording | | 14.13 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | \$ | 328.61 |
| Capital Reserve | | |
| Trustee of Trust Funds | | |
| truck | \$ | 1,000.00 |
| sander | | 1,500.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | \$ | 2,500.00 |
| School | | |
| Newfound Area School District, appropriation | \$ | 29,340.15 |

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

PAYMENTS JAN. 1 1977 thru DEC. 31, 1977

| | |
|--|----------|
| Kathy Buck, Material reimb. & services | \$283.29 |
| National Geographic Society | 23.40 |
| World Book Encyclopedia | 9.60 |
| Brodart Inc. | 138.30 |
| Nathaniel Dame & Co. | 33.57 |
| Virginia Hikel, services | 92.12 |
| Silver Burdett Co. | 30.32 |
| Bank service charge | 3.54 |
| | ----- |
| TOTAL PAYMENTS | \$614.14 |
| BALANCE DEC. 31, 1977 | 151.46 |
| | ----- |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$765.60 |

RECEIPTS JAN. 1 1977 thru DEC. 31, 1977

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Cash on hand Jan. 1 1977 | \$4.31 |
| Selectmen's Appropriation | 600.00 |
| Refund - Regent Book Co. | 1.54 |
| Dividends from Marjorie Warner Funds | 9.75 |
| Donation - Shelves | 150.00 |
| | ----- |
| TOTAL | \$765.60 |

Respectfully submitted,
Helen L. Albert
Library Treasurer

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

| | |
|--|-------|
| Books purchased 1977 | |
| Adult (fiction and non-fiction) | 25 |
| Juvenile (fiction and non-fiction) | 43 |
| Books donated - 1977 | |
| Adult (fiction and non-fiction - hardcover only) | 3 |
| Juvenile (fiction and non-fiction - hardcover only) | 4 |
| Books owned January, 1977 | 1,963 |
| | ----- |
| | 2,038 |
| Books discarded / sold | 36 |
| | ----- |
| TOTAL books owned as of December 31, 1977 | 2,032 |
| Books borrowed from bookmobile | 1,272 |
| Services: | |
| Adult volumes loaned | 537 |
| Juvenile volumes loaned | 544 |
| Magazines loaned | 136 |
| Other items loaned (record, filmstrips and other media) | 71 |
| | ----- |
| | 1,288 |

In addition to the regular book purchases, a record collection was begun with the purchase of three sets of albums. Audio-visual materials such as film - strips and tapes, a viewing machine, tape recorder, slide machine, and tape decks are also available for patrons use through our membership in the Baker River Audio Visual Center.

Library hours were held regularly throughout the school months on Thursdays from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Summer hours were Monday evenings from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Thursday mornings from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Several pre-school story hours were held during the spring months with eight children attending, and the summer workshop was held during July with an average of fifteen children attending each of the four programs.

Katherine Buck
Librarian

GROTON POLICE DEPT. REPORT

We have purchased a substantial amount of badly needed equipment in an effort to meet minimum standards for citizen safety.

Both Chief Albert and Constable Clancy are enrolled for state certification for part-time officers, which is expected to be a requirement for all officers within the next bienium.

We would like to thank Sheriff Herbert Ash and his department for their continued support and assistance.

Sculptured Rocks is a continuing cause of concern both from the campers and forest fire danger, and by the increased traffic to and from the area during the daytime as evidenced by litter and speeding, particularly on weekends.

The following numbers should be used whenever requiring assistance:

1-800-552-0393 (toll free) Grafton County Dispatch
744-8664 David J. Albert, Chief
744-3666 Richard W. Clancy, Constable

We ask all citizens to make note of any suspicious activity including cruising vehicles with no apparent destination, strangers near unoccupied houses, or unusual noises. DO NOT delay in notifying the police, and try to jot down registration numbers and vehicle descriptions. The success of your police department depends in large measure upon an alert and involved community.

David J. Albert, Chief

NEWFOUND AREA AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION **1977**

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|---|---|
| <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> | |
| Received from five towns | \$4,400.00 |
| Donations | 540.00 |
| Bank Interest | 148.00 |
| Savings Account | 607.38 |
| | <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> |
| | \$5,695.38 |
| Paid to Fred V. Emmons | 3,500.00 |
| | <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> |
| Balance on hand | \$2,195.38 |
| | |
| Total calls | 217 |
| Unpaid calls | 82 |
| | |
| Alexandria | 15 |
| Ashland | 1 |
| Bridgewater | 8 |
| Bristol | 150 |
| Danbury | 3 |
| Groton | 1 |
| Hebron | 9 |
| Hill | 4 |
| I-93 | 2 |
| New Hampton | 24 |
| | <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> |
| | 217 |

REPORT OF DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF AND TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Forest fire control in New Hampshire is a joint state and town responsibility (RSA 224).

The Director, Division of Forests and Lands (State Forester) appoints a forest fire warden and several deputy fire wardens in each town upon the recommendation of local authorities.

The local forest fire warden is responsible for forest fire prevention and fire suppression activities in his town. He regulates the kindling of outside fires when the ground is not covered with snow by the issuance of written permits only when conditions are safe. He is responsible for suppression with the town and state sharing the cost. Suppression costs in excess of 1/4 of 1% of the assessed valuation of the town are assumed by the state.

The state provides training for the local fire organization and helps coordinate activities between towns. The state also supports local forces with backup personnel, equipment, and supplies for suppression and prevention.

This combination of state and town cooperation, started in 1893, works well for New Hampshire has enjoyed one of the smallest acreage losses due to forest fires in the United States for the past 25 years.

1977 FOREST FIRE STATISTICS

| | No. of Fires | No. of Acres Burned |
|---------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| State | 1,091 | 2,386 |
| District | 40 | 49.1 |
| Town | 0 | 0 |
| John Q. Ricard | | C. Denis Matthews |
| District Fire Chief | | Forest Fire Warden |

**TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS
GROTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
CAPITAL RESERVE**

TOWN TRUCK FUND

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance on hand 1-1-77 acct. #50683 | \$2,502.72 |
| 3-28-77 Town Appropriation | 1,000.00 |
| 4- 1-77 Interest | 44.78 |
| 12- 1-77 Interest | 128.58 |
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| Total Available 12-31-77 | \$3,676.08 |

TOWN SANDER FUND

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| 3-28-77 Town Appropriation | \$1,500.00 |
| 4- 7-77 Dividend from Bristol Savings Bank old account #1. | 19.32 |
| 5- 1-77 Interest | 7.42 |
| 5-27-77 Proceeds from sale of shares of Bristol Bank #2 | 144.00 |
| 8- 1-77 Interest | 21.84 |
| 8- 8-77 Interest on Bristol Bank shares (above) | 4.50 |
| 9- 1-77 Interest | 7.54 |
| 12- 1-77 Interest | 22.77 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,727.39 |
| #1. & 2. less interest paid to Kidder, Peabody Co. present owners of above bank stock | -4.50 |
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| 12-31-77 Total Available in Sander Fund | \$1,722.89 |

Note: In March 1977, the Bristol Bank distributed shares and fractional shares to all owners-depositors who had a balance of \$5 or more in the Bristol Savings Bank on June 1, 1974. This followed unification of the First National Bank of Bristol and the Bristol Savings Bank, effective Jan. 1, 1977. Groton received 9 shares of stock in the Bristol Bank, plus \$19.32 for the value of a partial share because a capital reserve fund had been on deposit in the Bristol Savings Bank June 1, 1974. A \$4.50 dividend on Bristol Bank shares was received after the shares had been sold. Therefore, the \$4.50 was sent to Kidder, Peabody Co., the then owners of the stock.

TOWN TAX MAP FUND

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|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance on hand 1-1-77 acct. #52381 | \$2,501.84 |
| 1-18-77 Paid to Town of Groton | 2,501.84 |
| | ----- |
| Account closed | -0- |

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS GROTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE INCOME AND EXPENSES OF CEMETERIES

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| Cash balance forward 1-1-77 | | | |
| Savings acct. | #25171 | \$183.63 | |
| | 25172 | 325.82 | |
| | 36736 | 448.36 | |
| | | | \$957.81 |
| Income Received | 25171 | 10.01 | |
| | 25172 | 17.78 | |
| | 36736 | 24.48 | |
| | | | 52.27 |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Paid to Town of Groton | | 628.10 | |
| | | | -628.10 |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$381.98 |
| Balance on Hand 12-31-77 | | | |
| Savings Acct. | #25171 | \$50.00 | |
| | 25172 | 100.00 | |
| | 36736 | 231.98 | |
| | | | ----- |
| | | | \$381.98 |

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Abbott, Trustee

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

In Laconia, March 9, 1977, Heather Ann Reid, daughter of Robert and Beryl Reid.

In Laconia, June 4, 1977, Jennifer Rae Anderson, daughter of William and Norma Anderson.

In Franklin, July 30, 1977, Alyssa Dawn Moyer, daughter of Robert & Laurel Moyer.

In Laconia, August 28, 1977, Jonathan Paul Buck, son of Paul & Katherine Buck.

In Laconia, October 17, 1977, Daryl Edward Smith, son of Edward and Vikki Smith.

In Plymouth, November 9, 1977, Russell Louis Poitras, son of Gary and Dora Poitras.

In Plymouth, December 5, 1977, William Paul Johnson Jr., son of William and Lucy Johnson.

Deaths

In Plymouth, December 12, 1977, Wilma W. Karkheck, age 73.

Town Clerk

Bonnie Lee Albert

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